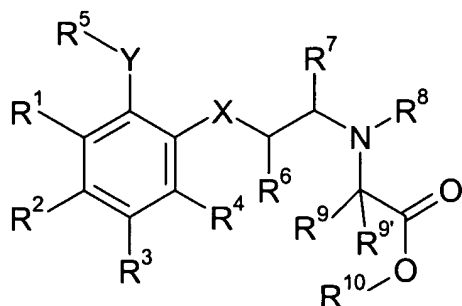


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims replaces all prior listings of claims presented in the application.

1. (Currently amended) A compound of the ~~general~~ formula I



wherein

X is O, S or CR¹¹R¹², wherein R¹¹ and R¹² are each independently ~~are selected from~~ H or C₁₋₆ alkyl;

Y is O or S;

R¹, R², R³ and R⁴ are each independently ~~selected from~~ hydrogen; halogen; cyano; nitro; C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl; C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yloxy; C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylsulfanyl; hydroxy; hydroxy-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl; halo-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl; halo-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yloxy; C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl; C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl; acyl; C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yloxycarbonyl; C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylsulfonyl; aryl optionally substituted with a halogen, cyano, nitro, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yloxy, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylsulfanyl, hydroxy, hydroxy-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, halo-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, halo-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yloxy, C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl, C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, acyl, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yloxycarbonyl or C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylsulfonyl; monocyclic heteroaryl optionally substituted with a halogen, cyano, nitro, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yloxy, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylsulfanyl,

hydroxy, hydroxy-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, halo-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, halo-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)oxy, C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl, C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, acyl, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)oxy carbonyl or C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylsulfonyl; or -NR¹³R¹⁴ wherein R¹³ and R¹⁴ are each independently ~~are selected from~~ hydrogen, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl, C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl-C₁₋₆ alk(en/yn)yl or aryl, or R¹³ and R¹⁴ together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached form a 3-7-membered heterocyclic ring which optionally contains one further heteroatom selected from O, S and ~~or~~ N;

R⁵ is aryl or monocyclic heteroaryl, optionally substituted with a halogen, cyano, nitro, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)oxy, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylsulfonyl, hydroxy, hydroxy-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, halo-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, halo-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)oxy, C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl, C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, acyl, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)oxy carbonyl, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylsulfonyl or -NR¹⁵R¹⁶ wherein R¹⁵ and R¹⁶ are each independently ~~are selected from~~ hydrogen, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl, C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl-C₁₋₆ alk(en/yn)yl or aryl, or R¹⁵ and R¹⁶ together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached form a 3-7-membered heterocyclic ring which optionally contains one further heteroatom selected from O, S and ~~or~~ N;

R⁶ is ~~selected from~~ H, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)oxy, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylsulfonyl or C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl, provided that when R⁶ is ~~selected from~~ C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)oxy[[,]] or C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylsulfonyl then X is CR¹¹R¹², wherein R¹¹ and R¹² are each independently ~~are selected from~~ H or C₁₋₆ alkyl;

R⁷ and R⁸ are each independently ~~selected from~~ H, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl or C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl;

R⁹ and R^{9'} are each independently ~~selected from~~ H, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, hydroxy-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylsulfonyl-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl or C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl; or

R⁶ and R⁸ together with the atoms to which they are attached and the intervening carbon atom nitrogen form a saturated 3-7 membered heterocyclic ring, and R⁷ is ~~selected from~~ H, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl or C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl, and R⁹ and R^{9'} are each independently ~~selected from~~ H, C₁₋₆-

alk(en/yn)yl, hydroxy-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, C₁₋₆ alk(en/yn)ylsulfanyl-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl or C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl; or

R⁷ and R⁸ together with the atoms to which they are attached ~~nitrogen~~ form a saturated 3-7 membered heterocyclic ring, and R⁶ is ~~selected from~~ H, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylloxy, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylsulfanyl or C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl, provided that when R⁶ is ~~selected from~~ C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylloxy or C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylsulfanyl then X is CR¹¹R¹², wherein R¹¹ and R¹² are each independently ~~are selected from~~ H or C₁₋₆ alkyl, and R⁹ and R^{9'} are each independently ~~selected from~~ H, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, hydroxy-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, C₁₋₆ alk(en/yn)ylsulfanyl-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl or C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl; or

R⁸ and R⁹ together with the atoms to which they are attached and the intervening carbon atom ~~nitrogen~~ form a saturated 3-7 membered heterocyclic ring, and R⁶ is ~~selected from~~ H, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylloxy, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylsulfanyl or C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl, provided that when R⁶ is ~~selected from~~ C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylloxy or C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylsulfanyl then X is CR¹¹R¹², wherein R¹¹ and R¹² are each independently ~~are selected from~~ H or C₁₋₆ alkyl, and R⁷ is ~~selected from~~ H, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl or C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl, and R^{9'} is ~~selected from~~ H, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, hydroxy-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, C₁₋₆ alk(en/yn)ylsulfanyl-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl or C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl;

R¹⁰ is H, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, aryl, aryl-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, wherein aryl is optionally substituted with a halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, CN, NO₂ or C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl₁[[;]] or an alkali metal;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, ~~such as a pharmaceutically acceptable salt.~~

2. (Currently amended) The compound of claim 1 wherein X is ~~selected from~~ O or CH₂.

3. (Currently amended) The compound of claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1-2~~ wherein Y is O.

4. (Currently amended) The compound of claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1-2~~ wherein Y is S.

5. (Currently amended) The compound of claim 1 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ wherein R¹ is ~~selected from~~ hydrogen, C₁₋₆-alkyl, halogen, phenyl, or phenyl substituted with one or two substituents selected from C₁₋₆-alkyl and ~~or~~ C₁₋₆-alkoxy.

6. (Currently amended) The compound of claim 1 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ wherein R² is ~~selected from~~ hydrogen; cyano; C₁₋₆-alkyl; halogen; phenyl; phenyl substituted with one or two substituents selected from cyano, C₁₋₆-alkyl, C₁₋₆-alkoxy, and ~~or~~ C₁₋₆-alkylsulfonyl; -NR¹³R¹⁴ wherein R¹³ and R¹⁴ together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached form a 3-7-membered heterocyclic ring which optionally contains one further heteroatom selected from O, S and ~~or~~ N, ~~such as morpholinyl, or piperidinyl;~~ or monocyclic heteroaryl, ~~such as pyrimidinyl.~~

7. (Currently amended). The compound of claim 1 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ wherein R³ is ~~selected from~~ hydrogen; C₁₋₆-alkyl; halogen; phenyl; phenyl substituted with one or two substituents selected from cyano, C₁₋₆-alkyl, and ~~or~~ C₁₋₆-alkoxy; or monocyclic heteroaryl, ~~such as thiophenyl.~~

8. (Currently amended) The compound of claim 1 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ wherein R⁴ is ~~selected from~~ hydrogen, C₁₋₆-alkyl, halogen, phenyl or phenyl substituted with one or two ~~substituents~~ substituents selected from C₁₋₆-alkyl and ~~or~~ C₁₋₆-alkoxy.

9. (Currently amended) The compound of claim 1 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ wherein R⁵ is phenyl, optionally substituted with a halogen, C₁₋₆-alkyl, C₁₋₆-alkyloxy, C₁₋₆-alkylsulfanyl, or halo-C₁₋₆-alkyl.

10. (Currently amended) The compound of claim 1 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ wherein R⁶ is ~~selected from~~ H or C₁₋₆-alkyl.

11. (Currently amended) The compound of claim 1 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ wherein R⁷ is ~~selected from~~ H or C₁₋₆-alkyl.

12. (Currently amended) The compound of claim 1 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ wherein R⁸ is ~~selected from~~ H, C₁₋₆-alkyl or C₃₋₈-cycloalkyl.

13. (Currently amended) The compound of claim 1 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ wherein R⁹ and R^{9'} are each independently ~~selected from~~ H or C₁₋₆-alkyl.

14. (Currently amended) The compound of claim 1 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ wherein R¹⁰ is H.

15. (Currently amended) The compound of claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1-9 or 14~~ wherein R⁶ and R⁸ together with the atoms to which they are attached and the intervening carbon atom ~~nitrogen~~ form a 1-pyrrolidinyl, 1-piperidinyl or 1-azepinyl, optionally substituted with a C₁₋₆-alkyl, and R⁷ is ~~selected from~~ H, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl or C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl, and R⁹ and R^{9'} are each independently ~~selected from~~ H, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, hydroxy-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylsulfanyl-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl or C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl.

16. (Currently amended) The compound of claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1-9 or 14~~ wherein R⁷ and R⁸ together with the atoms to which they are attached ~~nitrogen~~ form a 1-pyrrolidinyl, 1-piperidinyl or 1-azepinyl, optionally substituted with a C₁₋₆-alkyl, and R⁶ is ~~selected from~~ H, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylxy, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylsulfanyl or C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl, provided that when R⁶ is ~~selected from~~ C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylxy or C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylsulfanyl then X is CR¹¹R¹², wherein R¹¹ and R¹² are each independently ~~are selected from~~ H or C₁₋₆ alkyl, and R⁹ and

R^{9'} are independently ~~selected from~~ H, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, hydroxy-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylsulfanyl-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl or C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl.

17. (Currently amended) The compound of claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1-9 or 14~~ wherein R⁸ and R⁹ together with the atoms to which they are attached and the intervening carbon atom nitrogen form a 1-pyrrolidinyl, 1-piperidinyl or 1-azepinyl, optionally substituted with a C₁₋₆-alkyl, and R⁶ is ~~selected from~~ H, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)oxy, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylsulfanyl or C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl, provided that when R⁶ is ~~selected from~~ C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)oxy or C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)ylsulfanyl then X is CR¹¹R¹², wherein R¹¹ and R¹² are each independently ~~are selected from~~ H or C₁₋₆ alkyl, and R⁷ is ~~selected from~~ H, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl or C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl, and R^{9'} is ~~selected from~~ H, C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, hydroxy-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl, C₁₋₆ alk(en/yn)ylsulfanyl-C₁₋₆-alk(en/yn)yl or C₃₋₈-cycloalk(en)yl.

18. (Currently amended) The compound of claim 1 selected from
(S)-1-{2-[2-(4-Fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,
(S)-1-{2-[2-(4-tert-Butyl-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,
(S)-1-{2-[2-(4-Trifluoromethyl-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,
(S)-1-{2-[2-(3-Fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,
(S)-1-{2-[2-(4-Chloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,
(S)-1-{2-[2-(3-Chloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,
(S)-1-{2-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,
(S)-1-{2-[2-(3-Chloro-4-fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,
(S)-1-{2-[2-(3-Chloro-phenoxy)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,
(S)-1-{2-[2-(4-Chloro-phenoxy)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,
(S)-1-{2-[2-(4-Methoxy-phenoxy)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,
(S)-1-{2-[2-(3,4-Difluoro-phenoxy)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,
1-{2(R/S)-[2-(4-Chloro-phenoxy)-phenoxy]-propyl}-pyrrolidine-2(S)-carboxylic acid,
1-{2(R/S)-[2-(3,4-Difluoro-phenoxy)-phenoxy]-propyl}-pyrrolidine-2(S)-carboxylic acid,
(S)-1-{2-[2-(3-Fluoro-phenoxy)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,

1-{2(R/S)-[2-(3-Fluoro-phenoxy)-phenoxy]-propyl}-pyrrolidine-2(S)-carboxylic acid,
1-{2(R/S)-[2-(3-Fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-propyl}-pyrrolidine-2(S)-carboxylic acid,
1-{2(R/S)-[2-(3-Chloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-propyl}-pyrrolidine-2(S)-carboxylic acid,
({2-[2-(4-tert-Butyl-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-N-ethyl-amino)-acetic acid,
2-{3-[2-(4-tert-Butyl-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-pyrrolidin-1-yl}-propionic acid,
({2-[2-(3-Chloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-N--methyl-amino)-acetic acid,
({2-[2-(3-Chloro-4-fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-N-methyl-amino)-acetic acid,
{2-[2-(4-tert-Butyl-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy-methyl]-piperidin-1-yl}-acetic acid,
({2-[2-(3-Fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-N-methyl-amino)-acetic acid,
{4-[2-(4-tert-Butyl-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-piperidin-1-yl}-acetic acid,
(N-2-propyl-{2-[2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-amino)-acetic acid,
({2-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-N-ethyl-amino)-acetic acid,
(N-Ethyl-{2-[2-(4-methylsulfanyl-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-amino)-acetic acid,
2-{3-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-pyrrolidin-1-yl}-propionic acid,
(S)-{3-[2-(4-tert-Butyl-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-pyrrolidin-1-yl}-acetic acid,
({2-[2-(3-Chloro-4-fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-N-ethyl-amino)-acetic acid,
(N-2-propyl-{2-[2-(4-methylsulfanyl-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-amino)-acetic acid,
{3-[2-(4-tert-Butyl-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-pyrrolidin-1-yl}-acetic acid,
({2-[2-(3-Chloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-N-ethyl-amino)-acetic acid,
({2-[2-(4-Chloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-N-methyl-amino)-acetic acid,
{4-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-piperidin-1-yl}-acetic acid,
2-{3-[2-(4-Trifluoromethyl-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-pyrrolidin-1-yl}-propionic acid,
({2-[2-(4-tert-Butyl-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-N-2-propyl-amino)-acetic acid
({2-[2-(4-tert-Butyl-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-N-methyl-amino)-acetic acid,
{2-[2-(4-Methylsulfanyl-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy-methyl]-piperidin-1-yl}-acetic acid,
({2-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-N-methyl-amino)-acetic acid,
(N-Methyl-{2-[2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-amino)-acetic acid,
2-{3(R)-[2-(4-tert-Butyl-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-pyrrolidin-1-yl}-propionic acid,
2-{3(R)-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-pyrrolidin-1-yl}-propionic acid,

2-[3(R)-(2-(4-methylphenyl)-sulfanyl-phenoxy)-pyrrolidin-1-yl]-propionic acid,
{3(R)-[2-(4-tert-Butyl-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-pyrrolidin-1-yl}-acetic acid,
2-{3(R)-[2-(4-Trifluoromethyl-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-pyrrolidin-1-yl}-propionic acid,
2-{3(R)-[2-(4-Chloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-pyrrolidin-1-yl}-propionic acid,
({1-[2-(3-Chloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxymethyl]-propyl}-N-ethyl-amino)-acetic acid,
({1-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-butan-2-yl}-N-ethyl-amino)-acetic acid,
({1-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-butan-3-methyl-2-yl}-N-ethyl-amino)-acetic acid,
({1-[2-(3-Chloro-4-fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-butan-2-yl}-N-ethyl-amino)-acetic acid,
({1-[1-(3-Chloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-propan-2-yl}-N-ethyl-amino)-acetic acid,
({1-[2-(3-Chloro-4-fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-butan-4-methyl-2-yl}-N-ethyl-amino)-acetic acid,
({1-[2-(3-Chloro-4-fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]propan-2-yl}-N-ethyl-amino)-acetic acid,
(S)-{1-[2-(3-Chloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-propan-2-yl}-N-methyl-amino)-acetic acid,
(S)-({1-[2-(3-Chloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-propan-2-yl}-N-ethyl-amino)-acetic acid,
({1-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-propan-2-yl}-N-ethyl-amino)-acetic acid,
({1-[2-(4-Chloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-propan-2-yl}-N-ethyl-amino)-acetic acid,
({1-[2-(3-Chloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxymethyl]-propyl}-N-methyl-amino)-acetic acid,
({1-[2-(4-Chloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxymethyl]-propyl}-N-ethyl-amino)-acetic acid,
(N-Ethyl-{1-[2-(3-fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxymethyl]-propyl}-amino)-acetic acid,
(R)-({2-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-1-methyl-ethyl}-N-ethyl-amino)-acetic acid,
(S)-(2{2-[2-(4-Chloro-phenoxy)-phenoxy]-propyl-N-methyl-amino)-acetic acid,
(R)-(2{2-[2-(3-Chloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-}-propyl-N-methyl-amino)-acetic acid,
({2-[2-(3-Fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-propyl}-N-methyl-amino)-acetic acid,
({2-[2-(3-Chloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-propan-1-yl}-N-ethyl-amino)-acetic acid,
({1-[2-(3-Chloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-3-methyl-butan-2-yl}-N-methyl-amino)-acetic acid,
({3-methyl-1-[2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-butan-2-yl}-N-ethyl-amino)-acetic acid,
({1-[2-(3-Chloro-4-fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-butan-2-yl}-N-methyl-amino)-acetic acid,

(S)-(1-{2-[2-(3-Chloro-4-fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-propan-2-yl}-N-methyl-amino)-acetic acid,
(S)-(2-{2-[2-(3-Fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-propyl}-N-methyl-amino)-acetic acid,
(1-[2-(4-tert-Butyl-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-3-methyl-butan-2-yl)-N-ethyl-amino)-acetic acid,
(S)-({1-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-propan-2-yl}-N-methyl-amino)-acetic acid,
(1-[2-(3-Chloro-4-fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-3-methyl-butan-2-yl)-N-methyl-amino)-acetic acid,
(1-[2-(4-tert-Butyl-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-3-methyl-propan-2-yl)-N-ethyl-amino)-acetic acid,
(2-[2-(3-Chloro-4-fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-propan-1-yl)-N-ethyl-amino)-acetic acid,
(2-[2-(4-methoxy-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-propan-1-yl)-N-Cyclohexyl-amino)-acetic acid,
{2-(2-(4-methylsulfanyl)-phenoxy)-propan-1-yl}-N-cyclohexyl-amino)-acetic acid,
(2-[2-(3-Chloro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-propan-1-yl)-N-cyclohexyl-amino)-acetic acid,
(S)-1-{3-[2-(3-Fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenyl]-propyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,
(S)-2-{2-[3-(3-Fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-biphenyl-4-yloxy]-ethyl}-methyl-amino)-propionic acid,
(2-[3-(3-Fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-biphenyl-4-yloxy]-ethyl)-methyl-amino)-acetic acid,
(S)-1-{2-[4-Chloro-2-(3-fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,
(S)-1-{2-[3-Chloro-2-(3-fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,
(S)-1-{2-[5-Chloro-2-(3-fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,
(S)-1-{2-[4-Cyano-2-(3-fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,
(S)-1-[2-(5-Chloro-2-phenylsulfanyl)-phenoxy]-ethyl]-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,
(S)-1-{2-[3-(3-Fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-biphenyl-4-yloxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,
(S)-{2-[4'-Methoxy-3-(3-fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-biphenyl-4-yloxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,
(S)-{2-[4'-Cyano-3-(3-fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-biphenyl-4-yloxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,
(S)-1-{2-[4'-Cyano-4-(3-fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-biphenyl-3-yloxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,
(S)-1-{2-[2-(3-Fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-5-thiophen-3-yl-phenoxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,

(S)-1-{2-[2-(3-Fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-4-pyrimidin-5-yl-phenoxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,

(S)-1-{2-[3-(3-Fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-3-methanesulfonyl-biphenyl-4-yloxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2(S)-carboxylic acid,

(S)-1-{2-[2-(3-Fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-4-morpholin-4-yl-phenoxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid, and

(S)-1-{2-[2-(3-Fluoro-phenylsulfanyl)-4-piperidin-1-yl-phenoxy]-ethyl}-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid,

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

19. (Currently amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1-18~~ and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or diluent.

20. (Canceled)

21. (Currently amended) A method for the treatment of a disease or disorder selected from the group consisting of post-traumatic stress disorder, ~~the positive and the negative symptoms of schizophrenia, including both the positive and the negative symptoms of schizophrenia and other psychoses, and in the improvement of cognition in~~ conditions where the cognitive processes are diminished, ~~i.e. Alzheimer's disease, multi-infarct dementia, AIDS dementia, Huntington's disease, Parkinson's disease, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, or diseases wherein the brain is damaged by inner or outer influence, such as trauma to the head or stroke, and convulsive disorders, such as epilepsy, spasticity or myoclonus in a living animal body, including a human,~~ comprising administering to a subject in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of a compound according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1-18~~.

22. (New) The method of claim 21, wherein said method is for the treatment of the positive or negative symptoms of schizophrenia.

23. (New) The method of claim 22, wherein said method is for the treatment of both the positive and negative symptoms of schizophrenia.

24. (New) The method of claim 21, wherein said method is for the treatment of Alzheimer's disease, multi-infarct dementia, AIDS dementia, Huntington's disease, Parkinson's disease, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, or diseases wherein the brain is damaged by inner or outer influence.

25. (New) The method of claim 24, wherein said method is for the treatment of brain damage due to trauma to the head or stroke.

26. (New) The method of claim 21, wherein said method is for the treatment of epilepsy, spasticity or myoclonus.

27. (New) The method of claim 21 wherein said subject is a human.

28. (New) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound according to claim 18 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or diluent.